

Lunchon Talk with Bore 22 Sept

On dinner -

look for something provocative and
challenging with an Intel. angle.

He suggested I "finger through"
Commentary, Encounter, & Foreign
Policy for an article (and author if
available).

He suggested Soviet technology,
why do they lag?

I suggested the Yanov
Thesis on Soviet social &
political development.

He mentioned Klaus Knorr's
article (or chapter?) on "Strategic
Intel: Problems & Remedies"

Then suggested
on warning.

[On alcohol as a gasoline
supplement or substitute, Bob said
he'd like to know too, but didn't
think it was much of a sub. for
the heavier ones.]

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BOWIE

From:

Subj: DCI Dinner Subjects

This afternoon I finally had that long-delayed talk with Admiral Turner. One of the subjects he brought up was the dinners. He said he wasn't displeased by the population dinner, he'd "learned a lot," but he also urged me to aim for a "higher level." After a bit of further discussion I got the impression that what he meant was that he preferred less specialist subjects. When I assured him that the experts we'd had on population were about the best available, he readily agreed but commented that "all they knew was population." I told him I was having trouble coming up with gripping subjects and available authorities. When I mentioned the possibility of an evening devoted to the Chinese cultural revolution he seemed definitely interested, saying that all he knew about that subject was what he had read in the newspapers.

In view of the duration of stay in China his subject doesn't seem likely to be available for the next dinner (which should be sometime around the middle of October). So I am still searching.

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National Intelligence Officers

TO:

FROM:

Per our conversation, I suggest the Director may be interested in a dinner session on the subject The Cultural Revolution and the Radical Tradition in China. The Director has expressed an interest in learning more about the Cultural Revolution and about the issues which the Radicals have seized upon.

I believe we can get a well-informed lively and diversified group. I suggest including this "expert side".

Harvard
NSC
ORPA
OSR
Brookings
NIO

From the managerial side, in addition to the DCI, Mr. Bowie, Sayre Stevens, Dick Lehman and yourself, I would recommend Bill Wells of DDO who is an old China hand in his own right.

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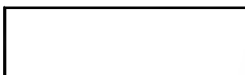
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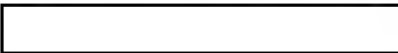

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ~~Mr. Bowie~~

FROM: 

SUBJECT: On the Population Seminar/Dinner, Monday, 29 August 1977

You should be informed that Monday's affair is not entirely in accord with the format for the dinners that we discussed. The reason is mainly the nature of the problem for discussion but also because of the way the concept for it was formed in  mind. The idea was to explore the subject of population and related issues in order to determine what this Agency might be doing and should be doing but isn't doing. That implied having most of the populationists on the premises brought into the discussion as well as outside experts.

Hence the afternoon seminar with essentially no ceiling, though we thought of 20 to 25 people at most. The number currently is 25, though we do not know if all the supernumeraries will show up. The number for the dinner is also more than I shall shoot for in the future, mainly because of the 5 outsiders (two consultants and three from other agencies) and the number of offices and such concerned. With ADM Turner, yourself, Stevens, Lehman, Maurice Ernst,  (ORPA),  (CR) and myself (reluctantly included to see how it works out), that number comes to 14.

To have a Director's Dinner at all by the end of August or in early September, I had to take one that was already in the mill. With more time to work on the next one I hope to get in down to the format you prefer.